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ROUND-UP ON ELECTION ACTION

ONE FOOT IN THE STREETS

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NEW YORK (LNS) -- Movement activists lusted with their feet in the streets on campuses and in cities around the country, but in most cases they failed to attract much support from other students and young peoples.

The SDS National Council meeting in Boulder, Colo., last month had called for student strikes and demonstrations in urban centers to protest the elections "boax."

No campuses were paralyzed by strikes and demonstrations on a nationwide scale failed to materialize in the cities. But on scores of campuses, students held marches and rallies giving substance to the claim that the movement has reached the stage where it can call coordinated political actions around the country on short notice.

The feeling on many campuses is that the next step is to narrow the gap between the "hard core" of the politically committed and other students who share some of the radicals' gut reactions to American society, but still have reservations about the movement's general analysis, and in particular its militant tactics.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. (LNS) -- One of the brightest spots in the nation was Washington, a city already well-known for big marches but not known for native radicalism. The SDS Election Day demonstration gathered together only 1,000 participants, but these were local folk -- not brought in by bus from New York -- and the mood was determined.

"It's the hard core," a local SDS organizer said, looking around at the crowd as it gathered at noon in a grassy area near the Lincoln Memorial. Signs identified groups from the District, from Maryland and from Delaware. A bevy of intelligence cops in plain clothes and armed with elaborate equipment went through their routines as the youthful crowd listened intently to Carl Oglesby denounce "the system."

We refuse to be stone age freaks of technology," Oglesby said. Dressed in a green fatigue jacket, the lanky over-30 Oglesby leaned intensely over a mike and warned the 95% under-30 audience to beware of those who would lure them back into the system, those who "piously instruct us to be kind and to work through the system -- so that their own special privileges may remain intact."

Oglesby, who is a member of SDS's National Interim Committee and a former SDS national secretary, said that the establishment "con men" will offer "false rhetoric and philosophy of change, but not the readiness of change."

"It's no fun to be educated under the wand of the police," he said. "It's not pleasure. We do it because it's a necessity. The necessity of our movement to be in the streets was created and perceived on the other side."

As the group began its march to Lafayette Park, 20 blocks east and across Pennsylvania Avenue from the White House, hundreds of helmeted policemen armed with their "wandis" suddenly appeared on the scene, with more than a dozen patrol cars wailing their sirens.

The cops stood closely side by side at the curb's edge, marching along with the demonstrators.

There was a show of force by the demonstrators, and by the cops. The march was allowed to happen, even though there was no permit, but the cops used their clubs and made a few scattered arrests to make sure that demonstrators stayed on the sidewalk and obeyed traffic signals.

After arriving in Lafayette Park, an SDS speaker proclaimed "Lafayette, we are here!", but Park Police declared that the demonstration was illegal. No permit had been granted because no permit is given to demonstrations of more than 500 in Lafayette Park. As the cops waded in, most of the protesters moved on to a regrouping area at nearby George Washington University, but about a hundred stayed in the park and were arrested.

While demonstrators were still arriving at the university, a Volkswagen microbus with a half-dozen brown-shirted members of the National Socialist White People's (Nazi) Party cruised down G St. and sprayed red-dyed water at the

crowd. The car was stopped by the police and the men, all in their 20s, were arrested.

"The streets belong to the people! Vote with your feet!!" People cried out as demonstrators occupied G St. But a few hundred policemen were on the scene in minutes, clearing the street with ease.

A confrontation between cops on the curb's edge and students on the sidewalk continued for nearly two hours. The strikers yelled "Join us!" and "Strike! Strike!" to diehard students and professors still in classroom buildings; a few came downstairs while some stayed stubbornly indoors. Finally, an SDS spokesman called the demonstration a "victory." The demonstrators promised to continue their struggle and then went home.

Before that, however, there were an additional 20 arrests, as the police periodically charged the crowd to pick out SDS campus leaders apparently fingered by informers. A handful of people were injured by police clubs. I saw one young man get clouted deliberately and directly on the skull. Blood flowed profusely. The cop struck him with no provocation; the youth had merely bent over to help a friend who had been knocked down in a police charge.

Most of those arrested were charged with disorderly conduct. Each posted a \$10 bond, which may be forfeited in lieu of a plea, according to an SDS spokesman.

On the day before the elections, Nov. 4, hundreds of students in four Washington area universities -- George Washington, Georgetown, American and Maryland -- attended SDS-sponsored rallies and teach-ins.

--from Allen Young

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COLUMBUS, Ohio (LNS) -- Seventy-five Ohio State students conducted an election day funeral march around the Oval on campus.

Later, a guerrilla theater group presented mock campaign speeches for the three major candidates to a crowd of 300. A "Humphrey supporter" said that he believed that Humphrey would "keep the Afro-American down, and preserve law and order."

A "Nixon adherent" said his candidate would "keep the Negroes down and preserve law and order."

A more direct statement came from a "Wallaceite," who told the crowd that his man would "keep the niggers down and preserve law and order."

A more attractive candidate -- a piglet -- was then offered to the audience.

That evening, as the network computers projected vote totals, 250 people attended a party held to celebrate "the death of the old body politic and the birth of the new politics."

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MADISON, Wisc. (LNS) -- Hundreds of University of Wisconsin students marched through the streets of Madison on Election Day.

Meeting later to plan further action, the demonstrators rejected a proposal from SDS and the Wisconsin Draft Resisters Union to take a campus building as part of a protest against recruitment by Dow Chemical Co.

There had been a big push for militant action against Dow during the last several weeks; the Dow recruiter was scheduled to begin procuring on the campus this week. There were strong indications that the administration would have called the police immediately to eject any students who attempted to occupy a building, and have slapped expulsions on students involved in "illegal" action.

Heads were bloodied during the last confrontation with Dow in Madison, and apparently many active students felt that a re-run of that scene would not be productive.

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PALO ALTO, Cal. (LNS) -- Rock groups played at an "election wake" in Lytton Plaza in this suburban town near Stanford University. A few hundred mourners, led by Joan Baez, formed a double line of candle-bearers a block long. They were dispersed by 150 local policemen.

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NEWARK, N.J. (LNS) -- Police in Newark finished a fight that the Young Americans for Freedom (YAF) and the white vigilante North Ward Citizens League started with anti-war

demonstrators on Election Day.

The fighting began after 700 demonstrators, mostly from SDS and the Black Panther Party, marched from a rally in Military Park.

En route, several hecklers charged the line. Fighting broke out and the police moved in. The cops were careful to avoid attacking any of the right-wingers, but they did injure 10 radicals.

Later, a YAF - White Citizens League alliance attacked SDS members on the Rutgers University Newark campus.

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DENTON, Texas (LNS) -- Six hundred students at North Texas State University held a 24-hour sit-in-teach-in on Election Eve, then voted to extend it for 24 hours.

White radicals and blacks from the campus and the local community clashed with conservative students Nov. 4. A football field brawl involving 400 people was broken up by cops when they saw that the right-wingers were losing the fight.

Ten persons, including Bartee and Margie Haile, SDS regional organizers, were arrested for distributing a special election issue of Dallas Notes, the Dallas underground newspaper. The charge was "distributing obscene literature."

(The Notes office in Dallas was raided on Oct. 30; staff members were arrested, equipment was destroyed and property was confiscated.)

(See "Smut Bust" on p. 7 of this packet.)

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HOUSTON (LNS) -- A teach-in at the University of Houston drew a crowd of 400. Sixteen thousand copies of the dirty Dallas Notes election issue were distributed in pre-election week activities.

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AUSTIN, Tex., and FORT DIX, N.J. (LNS) -- GI teach-ins: see story on GI activity immediately following this election round-up.

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ANN ARBOR, Mich. (LNS) -- Support for the strike at the University of Michigan was minimal, but a hard core of about 300 students carried out several actions, including a sit-in at the administration building, and the posting

of "death notices" at Republican and Democratic headquarters.

An estimated forty or fifty instructors cancelled classes or turned their lectures into discussions of the elections. SDS members entered many classes and attempted to discuss the elections with the students. One class reportedly voted that a visitor leave, and others limited him to a short speech. Some classes continued the discussion all period.

Many students made a point of attending class in order that they not seem to support the strike. And some classes formally voted their defiance of the strike. The estimate of actual strike support was 10% of the student body, with larger percentages among undergraduates.

On the Monday before elections, more than 1,000 students attended a noon rally, which was followed by SDS-conducted tours of war research facilities, the administration building, local book stores, ROTC classrooms and other sights designed to show how the university is interrelated with business and government. Speakers demanded that the university sell its shares of Dow stock and other stocks in corporations with Defense Department contracts.

That evening, a police helicopter flew above a group of 400 students in a torchlight parade. The students paraded past dorms, chanted "Strike!" and "Peace now!" and picked up 1,600 more people en route.

Hecklers greeted the marchers along the route, throwing water balloons, singing the Michigan fight song and starting an occasional brawl. As the marchers sat on the lawn of University President Robben Fleming, some 200 hecklers ignited an NLF flag with a stolen torch, almost setting a tree on fire in the process.

On Election Day, support for the strike failed to grow substantially. After a rally, about 400 people held a march and placed the "death notices" on the county building (where more than 200 were arrested in September in a sit-in protesting inadequate welfare allotments) and on Republican and Democratic party headquarters.

The notices read: "We do hereby declare the Republican and Democratic Parties dead of natural

causes after a long illness. We deeply mourn the passing of what was once a healthy young idea. The contradictions of capitalism, racism and imperialism were too great. Signed, The People."

About half of the marchers then entered the university administration building and held a three-hour political discussion and sit-in. When the building was about to close, the students voted to leave rather than seize the building.

During the day, orderly picketing and leafletting was conducted at polling places in Ann Arbor. No incidents were reported. Earlier, Michigan Secretary of State James Hare had warned that SDS was planning to use bombs to terrorize voters and destroy polling places. This was denied by Gov. George Romney and also by Bill Ayres of SDS.

On election night, a festival of life was held at a local hang-out, and everyone then went home to see what would come up on NBC computers, the lemon or the lime.

-- from Michael Dover

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CHICAGO (LNS) -- On Election Day, a thousand people gathered to listen to rock bands, to watch street theater, and to rap with one another. The site of the activities was Lincoln Park, the scene of a police riot during last August's Democratic Convention.

Later, the group marched downtown to a rally at the Conrad Hilton to protest the "election fraud." They spent the evening shouting and singing outside the election headquarters of Nixon and Humphrey.

Demonstrations and other agit-prop activities were held on most of the university campuses in the Chicago area. A death march through the dorms of the University of Chicago ended at the Key Military Research Department Building. On the Circle campus, guerrilla theater broke into classrooms.

Black high school students held another of a series of "Liberation Mondays," which began with a 75% effective walkout on Oct. 14. This week, police broke up sit-ins in several black high schools. A group of students representing most of the large white high schools picketed

in downtown Chicago in solidarity with the black high-schoolers.

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BOSTON (LNS) -- Separate marches through downtown Boston and Cambridge met in an election day rally of more than 4,000 people on the Boston Common.

Teach-ins were held at Emmanuel College, Boston College and Southeast Massachusetts Technical Institute. Students at MIT who had been providing sanctuary for John O'Connor, AWOL from the Army, returned to class, as it has become apparent that there will be a long wait before Federal marshalls come for O'Connor. The "harboring" has now taken a looser form, with O'Connor offering himself as a guest lecturer in MIT classes.

Elsewhere in Massachusetts, teach-ins were held at the University of Massachusetts and Amherst College.

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NEW YORK (LNS) -- Police arrested 100 New Yorkers who looked as though they might intend to participate in a demonstration called for 8 p.m. on Election Night at Nixon's headquarters --but the arrests were made in the two hours preceding the planned action. Charges ranged from disorderly conduct to inciting to riot.

Many of those arrested were left-overs from abortive demonstrations held earlier in the day at Times Square and Rockefeller Center. Cops dispersed a crowd of 700 at those demonstrations before they could really get underway and gain momentum.

Columbia University students seized an auditorium in the university's Ferris Booth Hall student center on Election Eve, insuring that it would be available for use as a Movement Center for Election Day activities.

Two hundred students from the City College of New York were arrested on the day following elections. For nearly a week, they had been providing sanctuary in Finley Hall ballroom for an AWOL soldier. Though attempts to arrest the soldier were expected, the students had mistakenly assumed that the City College administration would not call the cops to clear students from the sanctuary.

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THE WAR FOR THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF GIs

by Allen Young

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FORT DIX, N.J. (LNS)--"This base is not closed," an Army public relations man told LNS, but Military Police tightly guarded all entrances to Fort Dix, and virtually no civilians could get in.

Very few soldiers were visible, though there are 3,000 to 5,000 men on leave on a typical weekend.

Lt. Col. A. J. Nealon, the Public Information Officer, said that routine leave policy was in force for the weekend. He added that "any good leader of men will tell them to stay clear of any danger area so they can enjoy the weekend off and not get into trouble."

It was typical Army doubletalk, and it was hard to tell whether the 20,000 enlisted men on the base were more annoyed at the anti-war demonstrators who had come to "help" them or at the brass who warned them against "fraternizing with dangerous elements."

The official line at the base was "everything is normal" as about 300 young people, mostly from New York City, arrived at the base for a teach-in and love-in with the soldiers on Nov. 2. The event was sponsored by the National Mobilization, SDS and Yippee. "Peace creep" and soldier alike pretty much matched the pre-arranged stereotypes, and there was really very little contact between the two groups. Long-hairs and short-hairs spent a lot of time staring at each other.

Rainy weather spoiled the original concept of an open-air picnic and rock dance. Most of the demonstrators clustered together, feeling good from the funny honey that somebody passed around, joking, laughing, talking and watching guerrilla theater by the Sixth Street Players. A few went downtown into the little village of Wrightstown, where they managed to rap with some soldiers. On several occasions, those soldiers who were willing to risk a conversation with the demonstrators turned out to be members of a special company for known troublemakers or CO applicants.

Soldiers also said they could get into trouble for having a copy of Vietnam GI or other anti-war publications. A few took the papers anyway.

Rennie Davis of the Mobilization, one of the organizers of the demonstration, said that even though contact was limited, the action was successful because it would be the catalyst for many hours of conversation about the war inside the barracks.

The Fort Dix visit was one of several scheduled events in GI Week. A two-day teach-in was held in Austin, Texas. Some two hundred people attended a rally Nov. 2 at a park in Austin's black ghetto. Former Green Beret Don Duncan addressed the group. Small discussion groups were held the next day with a hundred participants, two-thirds of whom were GIs.

Austin organizers were disappointed in the turn-out, especially on the part of the local radical community, but they said that some very good rapping occurred between soldiers and local movement types. GIs came mostly from nearby Fort Hood.

Teach-ins were held in several other cities, but additional events did not materialize. In Maryland, an attempt by lawyers and clergymen to visit the stockade of Fort Meade was stymied by official red tape.

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THE NAME'S THE SAME

EAST PALO ALTO, Cal. (LNS) -- Residents of this ghetto community bordering on the home of Stanford University have decided against changing the name of the town.

Black nationalists had placed a proposal on the ballot that the town's name be changed to Nairobi. It had been assumed that the name change was a shoo-in. Instead, this predominantly black community voted 2 to 1 against the change.

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NOTE TO EDITORS: A wrap-up of Election Day activities in California will be coming to you in the next LNS packet. Editors who need the final details sooner should call LNS person-to-person collect for Sheila Ryan; 212-749-2200.

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NOTE TO EDITORS: LNS is seeking figures on the vote given to left candidates on the ballot or write-ins, including Eldridge Cleaver, Dick Gregory, Fred Halstead, Charlene Mitchell and Pigasus the Pig. Authorities usually delay in compiling these figures, if they bother at all, but we will get them to you as soon as possible. If you can obtain these figures locally, please send them to LNS.

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BLACK STUDENTS GET LIGHT SENTENCES

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (LNS) -- Three black Knoxville College students and their attorneys claimed a "political victory" when they received relatively light sentences after being charged with serious felonies.

Gary Keel, Pete Tigner and Joseph Scott had been charged with possession of explosives and conspiracy to blow up two buildings on the Knoxville College campus. The charges came in the wake of the murder of a white cab driver on the Knoxville campus last March; the anger of the police was aroused, but the case was never solved.

On Oct. 28, the three pleaded guilty to lesser charges ("attempting to possess explosives" and "travelling on the highway for the purpose of prowling"). They were sentenced to 11 months and 29 days each, but the judge permitted them to return to college and begin serving the sentences after they finish the second semester. He indicated that he would consider suspending the remainder of their sentences after they spent a summer in jail.

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TOMAHAWK GONNA GET YOU, WHITE MAN

WINNEMUCCA, Nev. (LNS) -- Indian war parties are on the move again in their continuing struggle against Anglo-American Imperialist aggression. Several white hunters have been chased off the reservation of the Shoshone Indians. The Shoshones, in war paint and carrying rifles, crept up on hunters who were illegally hunting on Indian land, and scared them off.

Stanley Smart, a Shoshone, was convicted of hunting off the reservation in October. Smart filed an appeal, arguing that as an Indian he has the right to hunt regardless of seasons set by the white man, on or off the reservation.

John Pope, a Shoshone spokesman, claimed that the white hunters "are wasting deer while our people go hungry."

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OPPRESSED YOUTH

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(Note to editors: The following was prepared as a leaflet by the Lancaster County Peace and Freedom Movement Organizing Committee, Box 592, Lancaster, Pa. 17604. LNS sends it out to you for publication as an article or for use by local political groups in organizing work.)

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Many young white people scorn the struggle by black people against racist oppression, and fail to realize that they as young people are also oppressed. Black people are more aware of oppression because it is not as subtle as the oppression directed against young whites.

You have probably found that the loudest racist also yells out that young people should be put in their places. This society regards black people and young people as less than human -- not qualified to decide for themselves how to run their own lives.

++ Why hasn't the voting age been lowered to 18? Young people should not pay taxes and die for a government that doesn't allow them to participate in the decision making. Such a government is oppressive. No taxation without representation was one of the demands of the revolutionary war.

++ What about age curfews that demand that you be in your house at a certain time if you are under 18? Any curfew imposed on a people is an oppressive act. You don't turn into a raving criminal at 10 p.m.

++ Why is the main job of teachers to be cops, telling students what, why, and how to do everything? Students have a right to have a say in their education -- that's Student Power!

++ Why are young people busted for carrying grass? The big time suppliers of heroin are often friends of government officials and seldom are bothered.

++ Why is hitch-hiking illegal?

++ Vagrancy and loitering laws are used against young people and black people as a means of control. The cops and politicians are in this together.

++ Why is there a law against young people consuming alcoholic drinks?

The racist and the cop and the politician tell us that blacks are our enemies, yet the same people are oppressing and exploiting us. Who is our real enemy? Look around! The Black Man's struggle is the same as ours.

The only thing we have to look forward to is a hitch in the army, and a life of deadening work, taxes and bills, unless...

Young people -- black and white -- pull together and destroy all oppression.

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THE TRIBE THAT KEPT ITS COOL

by Peter Stansill

LIBERATION News Service

(Editor's note: The author is editor of the International Times, an underground weekly published at 27 Endell Street, London WC 2, England.)

LONDON (LNS)-- England, my friends, has just learned its most ecstatic lesson of recent years. Sunday, Oct. 27, will go down in the annals of British history as yet another triumph of "good sense" and "rationality" over the alien forces of violence and civil disorder, and the sturdy island race can now sit back in the arm chairs of its winter nights content in the knowledge that revolution is, after all, only something that happens in foreign countries.

There had been fears abroad in the damp autumn days before the 27th that the planned mass demonstration to show solidarity with the Vietnamese people could turn into a bloodbath, because, for all their cool, the British are plagued by racial memories of their bloodthirsty warrior past. When they're up against the wall, they can turn nasty--and they know it. The press build-up fanned the flames of this nastiness right from the beginning. In late August, The Times of London, God bless her, ran an incredible scare story about anarchists' plans to blow up key government offices, Rhodesia House and the BBC. Then this was picked up by London's mass circulation plebian Evening News, which plastered "REVOLUTION" across page one.

The stage was set. If Paris, Prague, Chicago and Berkeley could have brutality in the streets, then, by Jove, so could we. If that's where the twentieth century is at, then we're right there with it, up against the global wall.

There had been other indications throughout the year. On March 17, several thousand demonstrators had besieged Grosvenor Square, where sits the huge orange-crate shaped American Embassy, and had a thrilling fist-and-boot fight with hordes of London bobbies. Over 170 fuzz and rather fewer demonstrators were treated in a hospital for injuries, and over 250 people

were arrested.

Then in May, on the wings of the Paris upheaval, students at Hornsey College of Art in North London, England's biggest art college, took over the college buildings and started running their own scene with the help of about half the teachers and lecturers. The same happened at Guildford Art College in Surrey, an hour's drive from London. Students at London School of Economics (which sometimes likes to think of itself as England's Berkeley) kept having sit-ins and occupations, the last one on the Friday before the demo, when students set up a field hospital. All the signs and portents were there for our witch-doctors to feed into Government computers.

Panic pitch was reached on Saturday, D-Day minus one, when fuzz were searching every car and bus coming into London on every major road. The West End (downtown business district) was boarded up; bobbies stood in pairs on every corner. Authority protected capital. The atmosphere even freaked some of my colleagues at the offices of International Times, England's first, but admittedly not very militant, underground paper. One bloke was convinced that the Maoists would throw a bomb through the window or that the anarchists would come and occupy the place, because we hadn't cheered them on to a bloody revolutionary victory. Rumors streaked around town as hundreds of kids started roaming the streets with sleeping bags hung over shoulders.

The Day dawned, a drizzly October Sunday. Sundays in England are traditionally the days when nothing happens. There are laws, some of them five hundred years old, to insure that. It's said that there's a law against doing everything apart from shooting a bow and arrow on Sundays. There's no sport at all, limited bus and Tube services, no shops open in the center of London. Over the years, Sunday demonstrations have served to fill this vacuum, especially since they were popularized by Bertrand Russell and his "civil disobedience" campaign, in which protesters sat down in

Trafalgar Square until the police arrived to gently cart them off.

In fact, the whole demonstration is best seen in the perspective of the British Sunday, although it is very unlikely that it would have been any different if it had taken place on a British Wednesday.

Anyway, the groups massed on the Thames Embankment at Charing Cross. Anything up to 100,000 were expected, but probably about 30,000 turned up. It was quite a turn-out -- there were the Merseyside Anarchists from Liverpool, Sheffield Young Socialists, various Northern Maoist groups, gangs from Scotland, Wales and Ireland, as well as smuggled-in French and German militants. The main body followed the banner of Tariq Ali's Vietnam Solidarity Campaign, which had said all along that if there was to be violence it would be the fault of the police. Acting on this information, the Home Secretary, Jim Callaghan, had assured Tariq and his mob that the police would use only "traditional methods" to control the crowds. Now that may sound ominous to American ears, but here it means that there will be no tear gas, no water cannons, no baton charges or aggressive tactics. It means that the bobbies will link arms and stand firm and smiling in the face of the slings and arrows of enraged ragamuffins from the provinces. They will use fists and the occasional bott, but all on an individual, personal level - a sort of man-to-man don't-kick-him-while-he's-down type of thing. Much the same way as they control soccer crowds.

After a bit of squabbling about who should carry which banner, the crowd moved off along a three-mile route which was to include the major gutter papers in Fleet Street, Australia House, Rhodesia House, Trafalgar Square, then Parliament and on to Hyde Park for a rally. There was no spirit in it from the start. The procession was well over a mile long, straggling, uncertain, completely contained and controlled by over 7,000 policemen who had been rehearsing this for at least a month. There was no joy, just slogans and chants.....Ho-Ho-Ho-Chi-Minh... Johnson out..... Wilson out....Hey, hey, LBJ,

how many kids, etc. The International Situationist group added a spark of originality by half-heartedly chirping William-Blake instead of Ho Chi Minh, and their banners read "Storm the Reality Studios: Retake the Universe" -- a beautiful cosmic echo in the thick fog of political confusion.

Through Fleet Street, where there was low-key booing outside the revanchist Daily Express, then to Australia House, which occupies an exposed corner on the Strand. The main body marched past in silence, while a few people with a bit more feeling burned an Australian flag. It was right there that I knew the British revolution was going to be a flop. It dawned on me that there had been next to no planning or tactical co-ordination, no selection of targets, and that all the pamphleterring and rumor-mongering were the empty screams of a generation without a cause.

I lost interest and joined in with the kids from the North of England, who were loudly shouting my native dialect which is full of violence and poetry, but mainly poetry. Trafalgar Square was jammed with people, and it was there that the Maoists hatched their plan to break away from the "official" demo and split for Grosvenor Square to tear down the American eagle from its threatening posture over London. They broke off with cries of "To Grosvenor Square: Smash American Imperialism!", but the main crowd jogged on to Hyde Park, waving at the fuzz guarding the Hilton and the Playboy Club on Park Lane.

Tariq Ali, Pakistan's gift to the English revolution, was waiting in Hyde Park to welcome and congratulate the protesters. He was almost faint with joy and praises. After a speech which must have been written in the 1930's, the demonstration was declared over, so everyone went to Grosvenor Square where the militants at least would have a more exciting scene. But not so. The police had everything so organized that it was difficult not to admire the Establishment thinking that had gone into organizing that Sunday. For, make no mistake, everything that took place that day was organized

by Establishment forces. Even down to the violence. Fuzz standing ten deep blocked every approach to the Embassy. The militants charged the fuzz-line (could that happen anywhere else), the fuzz-line took the impact, then straightened out again.

And that was it. It went on most of the afternoon and into the night. One group of demonstrators lined up holding a girder from a nearby building site and tried to break the police ranks, but it didn't work. Nothing worked for anybody except the chuckling fuzz.

But instead of the bloody futility of it all welling up in people's throats and making them sick, the situation was gently turned into an archetypical tribal celebration. How could these two forces - militant youth and police - genuinely hate each other? There were no weapons, not even a truncheon was drawn, everybody was so damn good-natured about a potentially dangerous thing. Each time a bobby's helmet was knocked off, the officer would step out of line and dive into the crowd to retrieve it amid the cheers and boos of the mass. One such young cop got his face kicked in doing this, but he was the only person badly hurt during the whole day.

Even Mick Jagger was right there in the front lines of the militants, striking out at the jolly forces of repression. More light relief came from a guy who poured red paint over his face and screamed that the police had booted his head in. A friendly sergeant escorted him away from the action and told him to leave the field. You see, he had broken a rule. That just wasn't cricket. He wasn't even arrested.

Finally, as midnight struck, at the end of a perfect day, fuzz and demonstrators joined hands to sing Auld Lang Syne in Grosevenor Square. Can you believe that? The establishment, of course, got the last punch in, as it always does, and sent six kids to jail for terms of up to three months. Which is a little more severe than what soccer crowd hooligans can expect.

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LETTER TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

By the South Vietnam People's Committee for Solidarity with the American People (C.S.A.P.) on the occasion of its First founding anniversary. (October 16, 1967 - October 16, 1968) Published in the United States by:

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Dear American Friends:

One year has gone by since October 16, 1967, the day when the South Vietnam People's Committee for Solidarity with the American People was founded, in the high tide of the struggle of the American people for an end to the war in Vietnam.

The South Vietnamese people have followed with warm sympathy and appreciation the strong development of the anti-war movement in the United States, from the October 21st, 1967 Confrontation at the Pentagon, the confrontation on the opening day of Congress of the Joannette Rankin Brigade, the numerous demonstrations and petitions of the academic and professional community in protest against Dr. Benjamin Spock's trial, to the recent seething and bloody anti-war demonstration at the Democratic Convention in Chicago...

The South Vietnamese people have also followed with great attention and sympathy anti-war acts developing among the GI's in South Vietnam and U.S. troops stationed in the Pacific or in Europe, and right in the United States, especially the recent 50,000-strong demonstration by war veterans and GI's in San Francisco, demanding an end to the war in Vietnam and the return home of all the GI's. We consider those acts as worthy proof of the awakening of the conscience of the GI's, who refuse to kill and be killed in an unjust and criminal war.

On this occasion, C.S.A.P. wishes to extend its affectionate regards and admiration to those GI's and American youths now in jail because they have deserted, refused induction or refused to go to Vietnam, as well as to their families. We believe you will have the moral strength necessary to defend truth and justice in face of all the mean repressive schemes of the U.S. Administration.

The last year also marked a new step in the strengthening of friendly ties and close solidarity between our two peoples, in the

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common struggle for peace, justice, freedom, democracy and civil rights and an end to the war in Vietnam, from the Bratislava Conference gathering representatives from South and North Vietnam and the United States, to the meeting between women from South, North Vietnam and the U.S.A. in Paris, and between youths from South, North Vietnam and the U.S.A. in Stockholm, Sofia, Budapest, etc.

Dear American friends, the Chicago events, particularly the brutal crack-down by the U.S. police upon the anti-war demonstrators, have exposed the truth before the public opinion in the U.S.A. and the world: Johnson's ballyhoos about "democracy" and "peace" are mere lies. Now, faced with the legitimate aspirations and the growing opposition by the American people and under pressure by world opinion, any candidate to the Presidency, has to advocate "an end to the war." But in fact those sweet words are only aimed at appeasing public opinion and getting more votes.

With the experience gained in their past struggle, better than anybody else, the American people have clearly seen through the psychological manoeuvres of the U.S. ruling circles and will certainly step up their struggle to force the U.S. government to stop the war, completely halt the bombing of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and bring all the GI's home.

In South Vietnam, through the development of the military situation since the beginning of the year, particularly through the repeated offensives on the urban centers by the forces of the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation and other patriotic forces, as well as the evacuation of the Khe Sanh and many other strategic positions by the United States, you may see clearly that the war being conducted by the U.S. government against our people is not only a criminal, unjust, illegal and immoral war, but also an unwinnable war. The best way to protect the lives of the GI's is to demand that they be brought back to their families now and alive.

Once again, we hope that you will fully understand that the South Vietnamese people only want friendly relations with the American people.

The South Vietnamese mothers never want American mothers to weep and wail over the loss of their beloved sons in an alien land, for an unknown purpose.

The U.S. government has no right to bring death and destruction on a people who only want to live in peace. The U.S. government has no right to force the American people to pay with their own blood and money for a war they don't want and which they oppose, a war that smears the honor and fine traditions of the American people. The U.S. government has no right to force American youths to sacrifice themselves in the selfish interests of U.S. war monopolies, in a war against a whole nation, a war cursed by the whole mankind.

We are confident that the unshakable will of the South Vietnamese people, for Independence, Freedom and Self-Determination, will win the increasing approval of broad strata of the people in the U.S.A., and that you will step up your struggle, in response to the Appeal launched by the National Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam during last August Confrontation in Chicago: "We will demonstrate our determination to stay in the streets of America whoever the candidate, whatever the platform, until every GI is home from Vietnam."

We wish the GI's in South Vietnam, American youths jailed in the U.S.A. for having refused induction, and GI's jailed for having refused to go to South Vietnam, an early and happy return to their families. We wish more and more GI's stationed in U.S. bases everywhere and right in the U.S.A. to realize clearly their legitimate interests and resolutely act upon their conscience, by refusing any involvement in the Vietnam war of aggression.

On this occasion, C.S.A.P. wishes to extend its friendly greetings and sincere gratitude to anti-war organizations of Americans living in France, Great Britain, and Cuba, and to various peace groups around the world, for their noble activities in supporting and assisting American draft resisters and deserters. We wish that in face of the new situation, you would increase further your activities.

With our warmest greetings for friendship and solidarity. Oct. 16, 1968

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(NOT FOR RELEASE IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA)

The Manipulation of the Media: Or, Truth is
What You Say It Is
by Ralph J. Gleason

The great lesson from McLuhan which was picked up on, not immediately but through empirical practice, by the hippies and later the yippies, was that the medium really is the message if you look at it within the structure of the existing society.

This explains the success of the media conference, the combined press and TV conference, which the hippies and the yippies manipulated with such dexterity. They quickly discovered that you could produce news, not by doing something, but by talking about doing something. This got you on the front page.

The medium became the message. Reality became what you were saying, not what you were doing, and truth became whatever you said it was.

Since the basic assumption of media, whatever their operational faults, is that truth is desirable and that people in general are to be trusted, they were pigeons for the new style press conference.

It was and is, in its own way, beautiful. It has a great deal to do with the history of the past few years and may even have a great deal to do with history itself. After all, once having discovered how to manipulate the media, tomorrow the world.

It functions so well because there are two societies living simultaneously on the same planet. Us and them. Jerry Rubin, who is a master of media manipulation, discovered through his creation of the Vietnam teach-ins at Berkeley (he discovered and was taught at one and the same time; the media was hungry for the news he manufactured and the process was pure feed back) possibly from sheer frustration, that you could say outrageous things to the media and they would take it straight. Thus his statement that San Francisco Mayor Joe Alioto had a midnight conference with Dirty Dick Daley. The media picked it up, Mayor Alioto took it seriously and denied it seriously. Rubin recently said he was putting them on (he may or may not have been,

the point is that the reaction would have been the same in any case) and they didn't know it.

The Diggers psyched this one out at an early stage. Peter Berg and Emmet Grogan changed identities on a Canadian TV show and no one picked up on it. Paul Krassner printed the put on that there was no Emmet Grogan and even the hippies (second generation or at best once removed types) believed it as well as straights, thus becoming victims of their own put on.

What has made McLuhan's concept so workable and has made the techniques of the media manipulators so effective is not only the madness of reality as shown in every news broadcast but the hunger for news-type news (i.e., controlled drama) on the part of the media. Every press agent has always known that it is easier to sell a story that's a lie than to sell the truth. I first discovered this when I worked for Playland in Rye, New York one summer as a flack. We booked free acts to perform twice a day. Circus and carnival types. Tumblers, high wire acts and like that. It was my duty to get it in the papers. The best I ever did was once when I had no information, only the name of the act, and invented a full history and background, involving Bedouin tribesmen and the Sahara. It was pure fantasy. The act was five guys from Brooklyn. But everybody printed it, including the New York metropolitan dailies.

Psychiatrists know that when a human being faces a reality too difficult to accept, he frequently invents a reality of his own as a substitute. The reality of life in America is so difficult to accept for many people today that it is quite easy to get them to believe in a substitute reality that is easier for them to take hold of. John Birchers, George Wallacers and the radical right are not alone in this. It is apparent in the growth of mysticism and the flaming paranoia which is a part of all the culture of dissent. ("They worship a strange Goddess called Paranoia," the Congress of Wonders have a Hellenic god say in describing the Americans.)

Curtis LeMay and Senator Long suffer from

this as much as does anyone else. The sickness is pervasive. If you fight the system, if you fight city hall, you fall victim to it, too, eventually.

Nelson Algren once remarked that when he wrote his first couple of novels, especially "Man with the Golden Arm" he got a lot of praise. Then he wrote "A Walk on the Wild Side" and they realized he meant it and they put him down. Paul Booth remarked at Berkeley's Viet Nam teach-in that the trouble was that nobody was taken seriously in this country. He might well have added that once they do take you seriously they kill you. Figuratively or literally, it has the same effect: it removes your effectiveness.

Adolph Eichman = Law and Order. That's the equation and no one, not the most flaming instant anarchist, wants to walk the streets and be held up, ripped or raped, mugged or muzzled. Everybody wants peace and freedom to be. Nobody wants to be hurt.

But if your peace and quiet and freedom is different in style and in tone and in quality than the majority, city hall reacts. Fight it and city hall reacts even more so and you get ground down in the detail of the battle. You are always viewing the battle as an interference with your real objective and begrudge the time it takes. THEY have nothing else to do but fight you. They do it full time.

"Got busted for possession and I never owned nothin'" Dino Valenti sings in his great song, "I Got a Question," and that sums it up. Fantasy-Reality. Kids get felony convictions and TV and movie audiences are laughing at "I Love You Alice B. Toklas." The irony of it, which is really past irony into stark tragedy, is impossible to get out

How many, O my brothers, how many of you voted in the end for Humphrey because they made it so hard to vote for Greg or Cleaver or McCarthy and it was always impossible to vote for Nixon? And how do you define freedom? What is freedom of choice when you have only one candidate? That's what they say is wrong with Russia. But suppose you had TWO candidates, both Communists, who believed in 99% of the same thing only

differed slightly in who would do it and that's all. What then? Is that freedom of choice?

So the students struck at Berkeley because the Regents refused to allow credit for the Eldridge Cleaver course. It was the faculty who should have struck. It was THEIR rights which were being abrogated first--their right to determine the value of a course. Asking the Regents for credit accepts that they know what it really is and are equipped to grant it.

But that's the way city hall always fights. Always on the technique, never on the issues. And the Diggers say it is just as useless to fight the system as to join it.

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TWELVE PIG-MONTHS TO THE YEAR

NEW YORK (LNS) --"1969 --Year of the Pig" is the theme of a color-in calendar with original drawings and notations of movement dates. The calendar is being offered for sale by Hallucinations, Inc., a new enterprise being started by Abbie Hoffman and some friends to distribute buttons, posters, books and records, with profits slated to go to the Inauguration of the Pig in Washington on January 20.

Individual calendars cost \$2.95 each. There are Yippie buttons and Pig Inauguration buttons (25¢ each) for sale, with special prices for movement groups and retail stores. For orders and information, write to Hallucinations, Inc., 333 E. 5th St., New York City 10003.

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PAPERS GO WEEKLY

VANCOUVER, B.C. and PALO ALTO, Calif. (LNS) -- The movement and the great god paper join hands again on the road to love and revolution. Two of North America's most respected underground papers -- Vancouver's Georgia Straight and the Peninsula Observer (formerly Midpeninsula Observer) of California -- have gone into a weekly publication schedule, a sure sign of health and success.

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CAPITALISM: YOUR SLIP IS SHOWING

by Victoria Smith

LIBERATION News Service

NEW YORK (LNS) -- Here are a few statistics on the Great Society from the Wall Street Journal that gives substance to the suspicion that capitalism can't deliver the goods to the people who need them.

In the last five years, the number of Americans with a taxable income of at least one million dollars annually has nearly doubled. There are 100,000 such creatures in the country today.

(The figures indicating the increase in million-dollar incomes do not include income received from tax-exempt securities. These figures also include only about half of the income coming from capital gains. Both of these factors account for two of the major sources of income--unearned, of course -- for the wealthy.)

But while the rich get richer, the real weekly wage of the vast number of workers in non-supervisory positions, from clerks to steel workers, has shrunk slightly. The weekly average paycheck in September, after compensation for rising prices and Federal taxes, stood at \$72.32, down from \$72.54 in September 1967, and \$72.72 in October 1965, the record month.

This decrease may not sound like much, but a record of declining white and blue collar wages does not fit into the myth of tremendous economic growth that American capital projects.

It is clear, too, which consumers collect the goodies resulting from this growth. Other statistics, the Journal adds, show that the purchasing power of supervisors--the managerial class and corporate executives--continues to expand.

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PAMPHLET ON MEXICO

NEW YORK (LNS) -- A pamphlet on the current Mexican conflict, entitled "Mexico 1968: a Study in Domination and Repression," has just been published by the North American Congress on Latin America (NACLA). It can be obtained for one dollar by writing to NACLA, Box 57, Cathedral Station, New York, New York, 10025.

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SMUT BUST IN DALLAS

LIBERATION News Service

DALLAS (LNS) -- Detectives from the Vice Squad of the Dallas Police Department raided the office of Dallas Notes on Wednesday night, Oct. 30, with a search warrant allowing them to seize "pornography." The cops carted off two tons of alleged pornography -- all the back issues of Dallas Notes and all other underground papers in the office -- in two flat-bed trucks brought for that purpose.

The arrests of several SNCC organizers and harassment of the GI coffee house, the Oleo Strut, in Killeen, are all part of this crack-down.

Booked for "possession of pornography" were Publisher Stoney Burns, Editor Rodd Delany, and Circulation Manager Donna Delaney, Rodd's wife. Three other "suspects," who were visitors in the office, were held overnight for "investigation" and released.

Besides the back issues of Notes and other UPS papers, the cops took three typewriters, cameras, lenses, and other darkroom photography equipment, graphic arts equipment, over \$100 in checks, approximately \$30 in cash, bookkeeping records, subscription lists, and all other material which might be used to publish a newspaper. They also seized many political books and posters. (Is Chairman Mao pornographic?)

The pigs had a field day wallowing in the filth they made by breaking bottles, ripping up posters and unopened letters (both incoming and outgoing), tearing loose the refrigerator control dial, ripping out lamp wiring and crushing jewelry.

They also seized pills ("Investigation of State Narcotics Law") which proved to be baby vitamins, birth control pills, and asthma medicine. The Narcotics charges have been dropped, but the asthma medicine is being held for investigation.

At the station, Stoney Burns admitted the kidnapping of the Lindberg baby, but an officer told him he was wanted for more important offenses. The officer then admitted that it was a "political bust."

Channel 8 News had a ball. They called it "the biggest smut haul ever in Dallas." The

three alleged pornographers, having watched TV, knew how to act and shielded their faces from the camera just like big-time criminals.

(According to Supreme Court rulings, pornography must have "no redeeming social merit" and must appeal to "prurient interests.")

Two days later, ten persons, including SDS regional organizers Bartee and Margee Haile, were arrested in Denton, Texas, for "distributing obscene literature." (Bartee is a member of the SDS National Interim Committee.) They were handing out copies of the free Special Election Issue of Notes, which had nothing more "pornographic" than the word "shit."

Because all production equipment was seized, the election issue was printed with borrowed equipment. After hearing the details of the bust, many Dallas citizens have rallied to the defense of the accused persons. Countersuits and criminal charges against the police are expected.

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WHAT, ANOTHER TEXAS SNCC BUST?

LIBERATION News Service

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (LNS) -- Terry Ardrey, a SNCC worker from New York, was arrested here on Oct. 31. Ardrey was in Texas to help organize the defense of several Texas SNCC workers busted in a rash of political repression over the last few months.

Terry was charged with carrying a pistol on the premises of a store selling alcoholic beverages -- a felony offense carrying a two to five year prison term.

Local fuzz were waiting for Terry upon his arrival in College Station, where Texas A & M University is located. He was arrested in a telephone booth outside a drive-in grocery. He had just gotten off the bus and was attempting to call local contacts.

Terry was interrogated by the FBI while in custody of local police. He is now out on \$1000 bond.

This was the latest in a series of SNCC arrests in Texas. Houston SNCC organizer Lee Otis Johnson is appealing a 30 year sentence for giving a joint to a black undercover agent. Ernest

McMillan and Matthew Johnson of Dallas SNCC are appealing 10 year sentences which grew out of a demonstration at a Dallas supermarket. And Austin SNCC leader Larry Jackson is appealing a two year probated sentence for supposedly assaulting a cop during a demonstration at an Austin gas station.

The repression of SNCC has been part of a general crack-down on the Texas left which has included harassment of the GI coffee house The Oleo Strut, and the recent arrests of staff members of the underground paper, Dallas Notes, and of SDS regional organizers Bartee and Margie Haile.

And newly elected Democratic governor, Preston Smith, has promised to clean-up college campuses being used as sanctuaries for long-hair commie preverts.

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CHICAGO NEWSMEN GET TOGETHER

CHICAGO (LNS) -- In the wake of their confrontation with their editors and with Mayor Daley and his cops, newsmen from the establishment press in Chicago have gotten together to form the Association of Working Press and to publish a new critical newsletter, the Chicago Journalism Review.

According to their own report of their formation, the newsmen were reacting to the repression in their offices:

"Every newsman knows that within his shop there are shibboleths and taboos; if the fabled Hearst s--- list (sic) no longer exists physically, the known attitudes of editors and publishers shape stories from initial assignment to final placement in the paper or broadcast."

The Review, published monthly, contains reports on news that is omitted from the big papers, as well as criticism of the content of news coverage. For further information or subs, write to Chicago Journalism Review, 5000 S. Dorchester Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60615 (\$5 for one way sub.)

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FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE TRACKS

by Julius Lester

LIBERATION News Service/Guardian

(Hold for release until Sunday, Nov. 10. Copy may not be altered. It is obligatory to append the following: "Reprinted from the Guardian, radical news weekly, New York.)

The government has finally done what it could have done at any time in the past three years--stopped the bombing of North Vietnam. With the stopping of the bombing, the nation sighs with relief, assuming that the end of the war is in sight. In all probability, it is. Some kind of cease-fire agreement will probably be worked out, while negotiations continue and the United States will withdraw a respectable number of troops from Vietnam.

That the war should end at a conference table is galling. There is only one just conclusion which the war should come to -- total defeat for the U.S. Yet it can't end this way. Despite the propaganda from the Vietnamese and the U.S., it is clear that neither is able to win a clear-cut military victory. The North Vietnamese have been fighting a defensive war and no matter how many planes they've managed to bring down, twice as many planes have deposited millions of tons of bombs upon the land and the people. How long the Vietnamese could endure such, only they know; but they have come now to the conference table, an indication, perhaps, of the military reality of three years of constant bombardments.

With the bombing of North Vietnam stopped, there remains nothing to negotiate except a cease-fire in South Vietnam and provisions made for some kind of government. It is of course unthinkable that the United States will withdraw all of its troops anytime in the near future. And not only will U.S. troops remain in South Vietnam, American business interests, which have set up shop in the South, are not about to withdraw either. The May 12, 1967 European edition of Time Magazine reported the following: "The largest U.S. base in Vietnam is Cam Ranh Bay, once a sleepy village of fishermen. It is now well on its way to becoming one of the great ports of Asia, and plans are already in progress to make it

a major commercial and industrial center once the war is over. The basic buildup has progressed so far in Vietnam that some amenities are now being added, such as semi-permanent housing for U.S. troops. A new \$1-million U.S. embassy is underway, and in the works are much-needed city-bypass roads for Saigon, Danang, and Qui Mhon, plus an \$1-million bridge from Cam Ranh Bay's military peninsula to the civilian mainland. To ease the housing pressure in Saigon, engineers are finishing up a 16,000 acre U.S. city for 50,000 servicemen and officers at Long Binh, 15 miles away."

It is not surprising that there has been a branch of Rockefeller's Chase Manhattan Bank in Saigon for several years. And it should not be surprising that the U.S. has no intention of relinquishing the investments it has already made in South Vietnam. After all, that's what the war has been about -- the economic exploitation of South Vietnam and Southeast Asia.

By coming to the conference table, North Vietnam has put itself in the position of having to negotiate a settlement of total destruction. If negotiations fail, the U.S. will have the excuse it needs to resume bombing on a level designed to bring a speedy end to the war. This would mean blockading or bombing the port of Haiphong and the bombing of Hanoi. If the negotiations fail (or if the U.S. sabotages them), most Americans will demand the destruction of the North. Thus, the North Vietnamese have to negotiate a settlement. Maybe conditions within the North are already such that they have no other choice.

What, then, happens to the South? What, then, happens to plans for re-unifying the country? The NLF is coming to the Paris talks, and eventually, the Thieu government will show up. While Thieu has been adamant in his stand on the impossibility of a coalition government, if he won't change his mind, he can be replaced. And it is interesting that South Vietnamese President "Big" Minh is back in South Vietnam with nothing to do. He is a popular figure in the South and possibly is the only man who could unify the country under a coalition government.

With the North Vietnamese and the NLF unable to win a clear-cut victory, it seems that South Vietnam will become a permanent political entity in Asia. Reforms will be made in South Vietnam under a coalition government and with U.S. approval. While such a solution is not what so many Vietnamese have died for, it is the best that can be expected under the circumstances. And the U.S. will have won another battle if it is able to keep Vietnam divided and maintain economic control over the South.

If this analysis proves correct, some segments of the American left will accuse the North Vietnamese of selling out the South. While that may be the way it will appear, political realities cannot be denied. And the overwhelming political reality of the world today is the ability of the U.S. to blackmail practically every country in the world. Gen. LeMay was reflecting military reality when he made his now famous statement about bombing Vietnam "back to the Stone Age."

It is a beautiful fantasy to think that the war will end with a Vietnam unified under the leadership of Ho Chi Minh. The war will end and perhaps that is the overriding necessity for North Vietnam at present. If it is, our responsibility as radicals will be to understand the political realities facing the North Vietnamese and support whatever course of action they find necessary. It is the romantic revolutionary who insists on a fight until the last man is dead. The realist recognizes the value of living to fight another day. Also, one cannot escape the fact that if any people on this earth deserve a rest from the struggle, it is the people of Vietnam. May at least one generation of their children have the opportunity to grow to adulthood without the sound of bombs and bullets as a normal part of their day.

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ROTC: AN EXPLOSIVE SITUATION

EUGENE, Ore. (LNS) -- An explosion damaged two offices of the Air Force ROTC on the campus of the University of Oregon on Nov. 4. The authorities said there was no indication as to who was responsible for the deed.

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MORE BREAD FOR DIRTY DOINGS

WASHINGTON, D.C. (LNS) -- Five war industries recently received a total of \$73.4 million in defense contracts.

The Army awarded Ford Motor Co. two contracts worth \$29.2 million. A \$27.2 million package went to the Philco-Ford Corp. subsidiary for Chaparral fire units and weapon system test equipment. The dirty work on this anti-aircraft missile system will be done at Anaheim, Calif. The Ford plant in Highland Park, Mich. received a \$2 million addition to a more innocuous contract for utility trucks.

Honeywell Inc., in Hawkins, Minn., happily accepted a \$24.9 million first increment to a \$49.8 million Air Force contract for land mines and associated equipment.

The Navy awarded Frequency Engineering Laboratories, Farmingdale, N.J., an \$11million contract for a shipboard missile system. The firm is a division of Harvard Industries, Inc.

Hercules Inc. was given a \$1.3 million Army contract for electrical blasting camps. Work will be done at Port Ewen, N.Y.

The Army awarded TRW Inc., Redondo Beach, Calif. two contracts totaling \$35 million for classified research and development work.

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NEW SOLIDARITY MOVEMENT

BUENOS AIRES (LNS) -- Poets and artists from North, Central, and South America, who organized themselves five years ago into the semi-underground New Solidarity Movement, are seeking to get together again soon.

The group, which includes Allen Ginsburg, seeks a "new solidarity of all who actually believe an act of change is basically necessary in the search for a more human dimension, freed from all forms of subjugation." It favors community without ideology or organization.

"Please communicate with us and let's exchange the whispers of prophesy and the lightning of love," writes Clara Grinberg, in a call issued by the movement. For information, write to New Solidarity Movement, Casilla 60, Sucursal 14, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

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(And here it is again! Coming to you live! Take it away....)

THE LNS SONGBOOK

Here are two songs for fighting people. First, the uncensored complete lyrics of Street Fighting Man from the Rolling Stones, banned in Chicago. Of this song, Mick Jagger said: "They must think that song can make a revolution....I wish it could." The second item is "The Red Flag," reprinted from the Songbook of the International Workers of the World songbook (40¢ from IWW, 2422 N. Halsted St., Chicago, Ill. 60614.) It is sung to the tune of "Maryland, Maryland," and the words were written by James Connell.

Street Fighting Man

Everywhere I hear the sound of marching, charging feet, boy.
Comes summer here and the time is right for fighting in the street, boy.
Hey, think the time is right for a palace revolution.
But where I live the game to play is compromise solution.
Hey, said my name is called Disturbance
I'll shout and scream
I'll kill the king.
I'll rail at all his servants.

CHORUS: But what can a poor boy do except to
Sing for a rock 'n' roll band.
Guess in sleepy London town, there's just no place for a
street fighting man.

The Red Flag

The workers' flag is deepest red;
It shrouded oft our martyred dead:
And ere their limbs grew stiff and cold
Their life-blood dyed its every fold.

CHORUS:

Then raise the scarlet standard high;
Beneath its folds we'll live and die,
Though cowards flinch and traitors sneer,
We'll keep the red flag flying here.

Look 'round, the Frenchman loves its blaze,
The sturdy German chants its praise;
In Moscow's vaults its hymns are sung,
Chicago swells the surging throng.

It waved above our infant might
When all ahead seemed dark as night;
It witnessed many a deed and vow,
We will not change its color now.

It suits today the meek and base,
Whose minds are fixed on pelf and place,
To cringe beneath the rich man's frown,
And haul that sacred emblem down.

With heads uncovered swear we all,
To bear it onward till we fall;
Come dungeons dark or gallows grim,
This song shall be our parting hymn.

NEW GARRISON SUBPOENA
by Steven J. Burton
LIBERATION News Service

NEW ORLEANS (LNS) -- Jim Garrison on Oct. 31 subpoenaed a Tacoma, Washington man for questioning in his continuing investigation of the John F. Kennedy assassination.

Fred Lee Crisman, a "bishop" of the Universal Life Church, was called to appear before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury on November 21. Garrison's office said that Crisman, "has been engaged in undercover activity for a part of the industrial warfare complex for years. His cover is that of a 'preacher' and a person engaged in work to help the gypsies."

Garrison's press statement continued, "Our information indicates that since the early 1960's Crisman has made many trips to the New Orleans and Dallas areas in connection with his undercover work. He is a "former" employee of the Boeing Aircraft Company in the sense that one defendant in the case is a "former" employee of Lockheed Aircraft Company in Los Angeles. In intelligence terminology, this ordinarily means that the connection still exists but that the 'former employee' has moved into an underground operation."

Garrison said that evidence has been developed indicating a relationship between Crisman and, "persons involved in the assassination of President John F. Kennedy." He did not elaborate on what type of a relationship it was, nor with whom it was. Presumably, Garrison is referring to Clay Shaw, Edgar Eugene Bradley, David Ferrie, and/or Lee Oswald, all of whom are suspected by Garrison's office.

Shaw, a retired director of the New Orleans International Trade Mart, is under indictment on charges of conspiracy to commit murder. His attorneys have appealed a preliminary judicial ruling to the U.S. Supreme Court and have obtained a federal court injunction barring any further prosecution of their client. Bradley, a radio representative for evangelist Dr. Carl McIntire, is awaiting a decision by Gov. Ronald Reagan on his extradition to Louisiana from California.

Garrison further reiterated the general findings of his controversial investigation. "President Kennedy was murdered by elements of the industrial warfare complex working in concert with individuals in the United States Government. At the time of his murder, President Kennedy was working to end the Cold War. The annual income of the defense industry was well over twenty billion dollars a year and there were forces in that industry and in the U.S. government which opposed the ending of the Cold War.

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A FIST FIGHT ON A QUIET CAMPUS

WASHINGTON, D.C. (LNS) -- A fist fight between a black radical, who was about to address an SDS-sponsored student strike rally, and the white owner of an off-campus bar livened up an otherwise calm Monday noon-hour at the George Washington University on Nov. 4.

The white man, Al Miller, wanted to ask a question of Carl Oglesby of SDS who had just received thunderous applause for his bold attack on "the system," but Rufus "Catfish" Mayfield, well-known in the Washington black scene, said "Shut up! It's my turn!"

Miller wouldn't shut up. Epithets of "Honky!" and "Nigger!" were next.

Miller insisted on a fist fight as he stripped his jacket and strode toward Catfish. Miller aimed the first blow for Catfish's head, but Catfish ducked the punch and the two began to grapple with each other. An integrated duo of campus cops moved in quickly to separate the two, but not before Catfish landed a couple of punches on Miller's head.

There was no police or court action against either of the men, though Miller had to be treated for cuts and bruises on his face.

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Those of you people and papers that answered the nice new LNS bill with notes and better yet bread--thanks. Keep up the good work. Those of you who are still mute, let's hear from you too. Those of you whose addresses are changing, let us know that too. (We'd hate the bill to go to the wrong place.) While you're writing to us, give us some good feedback on our latest packets.

---IN THE STRUGGLE---

more...

EDITORS! Here is the first installment of a new regular LNS feature! Just another way LNS serves you: NEW REVOLUTIONARY FOOD COLUMN.

TO THRIVE ON RICE

by Ita Jones

LIBERATION News Service

I think that as the country falls into repression, the radicals hit the barricades, and the heads head for the mountains, eating will become the first thing on people's minds--that is, those minds which aren't already accustomed to thinking of food first. The blacks will survive best. The heads may learn to cook and eat that which grows around them. We who do the fighting can't expect it to be over in a month. Thinking concretely one can see that to win, our healthy minds will need healthy bodies.

Rice has been the backbone of Asia for a very long time. The longest continuous civilization in the history of man thrived and still does, on rice. The only people to push back the Mongol hordes successfully thrived on rice. The only country to drive into frustration and desperation the most powerful imperialist force in the world, thrives on rice.

Rice grows silently on hilltops which reflect the sky between the long thin reeds and pass into the plants the indestructability of clouds, which nothing can disperse and keep from re-establishing.

I find that buying rice in large quantities is cheapest, and since I use it often, I like having it around where in a moment's need it can be made into a fragrant pilaf or a soft white hill for vegetables or meat. Because that which can be done with rice is infinite, most useful at this point would be a clear idea of how to make good simple rice (which serves as a base for hot, mild, sweet or spicy sauces of vegetables and meat) and a basic knowledge of pilaf, which stands alone.

According to a good friend of mine in Texas who is an expert cook of Chinese food, the function of plain white rice is to "rinse" the mouth between each bite of the specific dish, so that the flavor of each of the separate items in the dish remains intact and makes each mouthful different and yet as clear tasting as the first.

For this reason, the topping should not be mixed with the rice, but rather be allowed to rest on top of it, so that the rice stays fresh. The first thing to remember when using regular rice is that for every cup of raw rice you will receive three cups of cooked rice. One cup raw rice will generally serve two hungry people very well. For rice as fresh as snow:

1. Place 1 cup raw rice in a large enough pot and add 1 3/4 - 2 cups fresh boiling water and a pinch of salt.
2. Cook covered (the lid should fit) over a low flame until all the liquid is absorbed (around 15-20 minutes). Don't keep checking because you don't want to lose the steam that collects. The lid should not be lifted until the very end.

Plain like this, it goes well with almost anything you have on hand: creamed chicken soup, etc; sauteed (lightly browned by frying) onions, mushrooms, tomatoes, cabbage, broccoli, cooked in a little broth with leftover chicken, meat, or fish; chunks of pineapple, peaches or strawberries for a warm breakfast meal. Dreaming up new combinations can be satisfying, like writing poetry, but nothing compares to the simplicity of a warm blue bowl of rice absorbing a yellow bit of butter, salt and pepper and a dash of soy, with a cup of pale sweet tea on a rainy day and a slice of cool green melon is itself a poem, after all.

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JUST THE FACTS: UNIVERSITY COMPLICITY

NEW YORK (LNS) -- Do you want to know what your local university or college is doing to help the American empire keep going? Check out the current (Sept. 1968) Newsletter of the North American Congress on Latin America (NACLA). It has an eight-page "inventory of Government-Sponsored Foreign Affairs Research" -- a basic reference guide prepared by Michael Klare to give local campus organizers a headstart in developing programs to combat campus complicity with imperialism.

For a copy of the inventory, write to NACLA Box 57 Cathedral Station, New York, N.Y. 10025.

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CUBAN NEWSPAPER EXCHANGE

Brothers and Sisters,

In a recent packet there was a note asking you to send subscriptions to your papers to the Cuban Mission in New York City. From there, news goes to Cuba via Prensa Latina (the Cuban wire service). This is the fastest and most direct access to the Cuban media.

Havana is also a center for communication with other developing liberation movements around the world. Their struggle is ours and it is important that we exchange news.

Below are listed some publications that would like to receive our underground press on a regular basis. The Cuban press badly needs to receive the news of our movement from our own papers. When we were in Cuba, reports of Chicago were sporadic and covered only major "battles." We could barely figure out what was happening, and then, generally, were terribly confused and wondered if the revolution was beginning without us.

It might be a good idea when you start sending your paper to enclose a letter describing what your scene is. Also indicate if you want to receive Cuban papers in exchange on a regular basis.

CUBAN PUBLICATIONS:

TRI-CONTINENTAL
Box 422
Habana, Cuba

A very fine magazine. Bi-monthly theoretical organ of OSPAAAL (Organization of Solidarity of the People of Africa, Asia, and Latin America). Published in French, English and Spanish.

JUVENTUD REBELDE
Prado y T. de Rey
Habana, Cuba

Daily unofficial organ of the Young Communists. This is what the rebel youth is all about. It has a monthly supplement (El Caiman Barbudo -- The Bearded Alligator) comparable to the best of our underground. Both are published only in Spanish and have fine graphics.

Resumen Semanal
GRANMA
Habana, Cuba

A weekly English and French edition is sold on some U.S. newstands, but the daily Spanish copies are very hard to get. The weekly edition is a summary of all the important stuff that Granma (the official organ of the Communist Party) published during the week.

Bell Lara
PENSAMIENTO CRITICO
Habana, Cuba

This is the theoretical magazine of the students at the University of Havana. It is another fine example of the things that the Cuban youth are doing. Published only in Spanish.

EL MUNDO
Habana, Cuba

This is the daily (150,000) paper that is run by journalism students at the University of Habana. The students produce not only the paper, which is the oldest existing paper in Cuba, but also Alma Mater, their paper at the University. Published only in Spanish.

OTHER GROUPS INTERESTED IN RECEIVING UNDERGROUND PAPERS:

MINIREX
Ministerio de
Relaciones Exteriores
Habana, Cuba

This is the Cuban foreign relations ministry; it puts out no paper, hence no exchange. The ministry keeps track of our struggle in order to inform the Revolutionary Government about how we're doing.

Dr. Cordelia Nabarro
Ministerio de Education
Vedado, Habana, Cuba

The Ministry of Education would like to see some of our college and high school papers, no matter how fascist they are.

Various liberation movements such as the People's Progressive Party of Guyana, the FALN of Venezuela (the Armed Forces of National Liberation) and the NLF of South Viet Nam can be contacted in Habana. Address it to the group and Habana, Cuba.

I hope that you can set up some good contacts this way. To our struggle,
Connie Lanham

THE ECONOMICS OF PEACE IN VIETNAM

By Victoria Smith
LIBERATION News Service

NEW YORK (LNS) -- One of the surest guarantees that the war in Vietnam can't last much longer is the growing prospect that peace would be profitable to American business.

The war is becoming a burden on the economy, according to economists. Not only is the war hurting U.S. balance of payments by about \$2 billion annually, but consumer spending and some business investments are failing as the war continues.

"Vietnam has been a dark cloud hanging over spending," says economist Tilford Gaines of Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. "Everyone would feel much more in a buying mood if the war were to end," he adds, putting in a pitch for forced consumption.

It's not that peace in Vietnam would bring home millions of dollars for domestic programs. In fact, much of the \$28 billion spent in Vietnam yearly would go into other kinds of defense programs. Gaines predicts that the savings in the first fiscal years after a peace settlement would probably not exceed \$4 billion.

But an end to the war, economists say, would not result in serious recession, like the one following the Korean War. Nor would unemployment rise much, since American business needs men with the kinds of skills developed in the Army. (There is a severe shortage in some skilled job areas in this country, according to specialists.)

Besides, these young men, newly returned from Vietnam, will be expected to marry and become consumers, a crucial factor in a period in which consumption is so important to economic growth.

And consumers would have more than psychological motivation to buy, because it is predicted that the rapid rise in consumer prices would abate from the current 4% rate to about 2.5 or 3%.

Along with a reduction in consumer prices, the reduced rate of inflation resulting from

peace would motivate business to increased investment. Tight money or high interest rates would become easier, and certain industries, like construction, would pick up after a long-term lag.

As we all learned in high school civics courses, this country spends a shitload on defense, but only about a third of that is going to Vietnam. U.S. imperialism has learned a little since the days of the Korean War and can slip more easily from war to peace -- or possibly from one war to another more subtle one.

The major problem, it seems, is how to make a war profitable. Ever since the Wall Street Journal came out against the war last spring, it has been evident that this is an inflationary and unprofitable war and that most (though not all) American businessmen want out fast.

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GREEK DEMOCRACY

ATHENS (LNS) -- In the recent Greek election farce, almost one-third of the eligible voters chose to abstain or cast "no" votes, according to Demokratia. This occurred despite the fact that the election was held in a virtual state of terror, with much pressure on the people to cast their votes in favor of the new constitution.

Of 6,500,000 eligible voters, almost 1,500,000 abstained and nearly 400,000 cast "no" votes. Those refusing to participate in the elections had passports and drivers license confiscated and were subject to three years in prison. And in some areas, a "no" vote was impossible because of the balloting arrangements.

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COCHINOS A LA ESPAÑOLA

MADRID (LNS) -- Police repression took over on the campus of Madrid University Nov. 4. Dozens of cops invaded the campus and tore down anti-regime posters, and they prepared to meet any resistance with waterhoses (equipment made in U.S.A.). University officials had warned earlier that they would punish students who had burned a picture of Generalissimo Franco and had raided the office of a dean.

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TWO, THREE, MANY TLATELOLCOS?

MEXICO CITY (LNS) -- "If necessary we will have two, three, many Tlatelolcos," Mexican President Diaz Ordaz promised a group of bankers recently, according to LNS correspondent I.M. Bandida.

But the National Strike Committee has declared a moratorium on demonstrations in an attempt to prevent a repetition of the Oct. 2 massacre at Tlatelolco in Mexico City. More than 200 people were killed and thousands injured when troops opened fire on a peaceful protest rally.

Mexican University students are still on strike, and the army continues to occupy the National Polytechnic Institute, in violation of Mexico's tradition of university autonomy.

Students are continuing an intensive effort to radicalize peasants and workers, in order to form a student-worker-peasant alliance aimed at forcing the Mexican government to adhere to its own constitution. More than 400 workers' strike committees are now affiliated with the National Strike Committee.

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CUBAN MEDALS FOR NORTH AMERICAN BLACKS

MEXICO CITY (LNS) -- Cuban track athletes who won silver medals for their performances in the Olympics dedicated their awards "to the U.S. blacks expelled from the Games and to the black people of the United States."

Meanwhile, a Prensa Latina (Cuban press service) said that the 80,000 people in the stadium "greeted the victory of the Cuban sprinters this afternoon with the greatest ovation ever given the name of Cuba on this continent."

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EDUCATIONAL TV GETS EDUCATED

NEW YORK (LNS) -- A handful of young radicals invited by the liberal Public Broadcast Laboratory (PBL) to evaluate a PBL film on the "generation gap" called the film "bullshit," apparently confirming a pre-conceived notion that led PBL staffers to

invite the radicals in the first place.

The film showed two University of Buffalo students, allegedly members of an SDS chapter, in their lily-white home town suburb, Amherst, N.Y. In the film, the two students have little dialogues with members of the older generation about long hair, sex and the Vietnam war. In one scene, one of the "SDS members" sat in the front seat of the local police chief's patrol car and they had a little chat.

The film "critics" told PBL that the film failed to show the real conflicts engulfing our society -- racism and imperialism -- and they described the two youths as "self-indulgent" and unrepresentative of today's radical youth.

The film was apparently designed to serve as, in their words, a "discussion leader," presumably so young folks and old folks can get together, talk things over and get along better in the end. "Where's the hate, the conflict, the bricks and the police clubs?" the critics asked. PBL promised that the film would not be aired.

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YUMMY, YUMMY, MORE RIFLES

WASHINGTON, DC (LNS) -- The Pentagon has placed new orders for nearly \$22 million worth of M-16 rifles. A contract for \$8,720,000 was awarded to General Motors at Ypsilanti, Mich., and a contract for \$13,254,300 to Harrington & Richardson of Worcester, Mass. Both enterprises have previously made M-16s for the Department of Defense.

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SHIRTLESS

FRANCONIA, N.H. (LNS) -- An executive of the Van Heusen Shirt Co. told Time magazine that his firm would no longer advertise in the newsweekly. He was angry because Time printed an article about Franconia College describing the widespread use of drugs and the loose sexual practices there. The executive is a Franconia College trustee.

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QUOTATION FOR OUR TIMES

"Our apologies, good friends, for the fracture of good order, the burning of paper instead of children, the angering of orderlies in the front parlor of the charnel house..."--Fr. Daniel Berrigan



TOP: PICNIC AT FORT DIX. MP's seemed to think it was a demonstration. They announced that no personnel could cross the white line separating the base from the field adjoining the garage where us commies were grooving. So we tried to cross the golden river (natch) but the man would have none of it.

Photo by Miriam Bokser/ LNS

BOTTOM: We grooved. Music, extra-special honey, and street theater. 6th Street Theater does its election play. Amerika stands on ladder & announces the candidates. Typical Citizen waits to do her thing in right foreground. GIs dug scene, dug play.

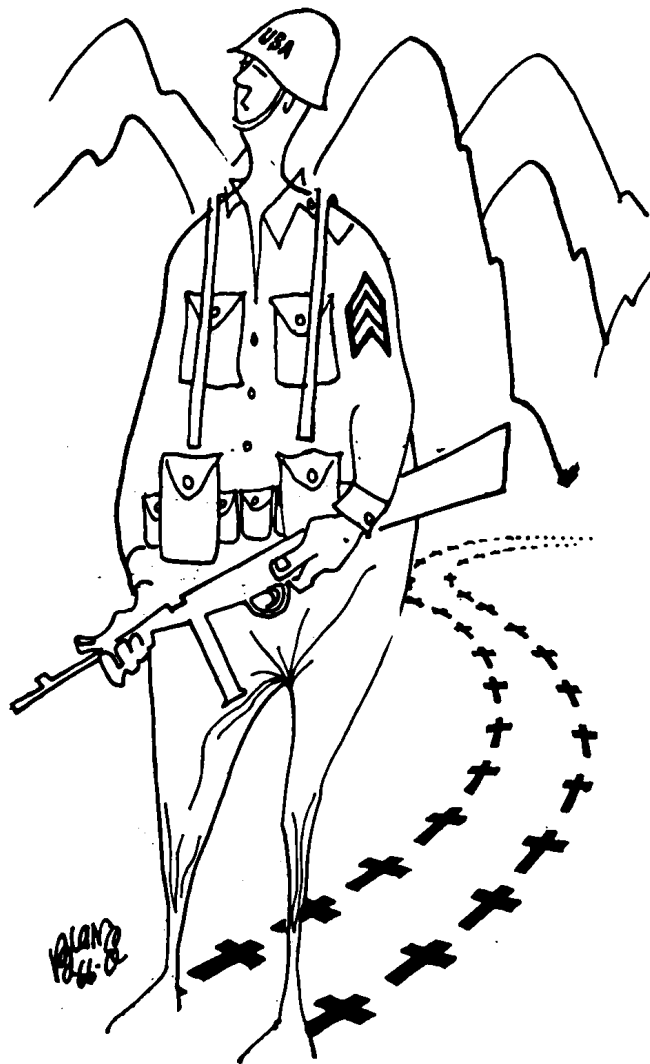
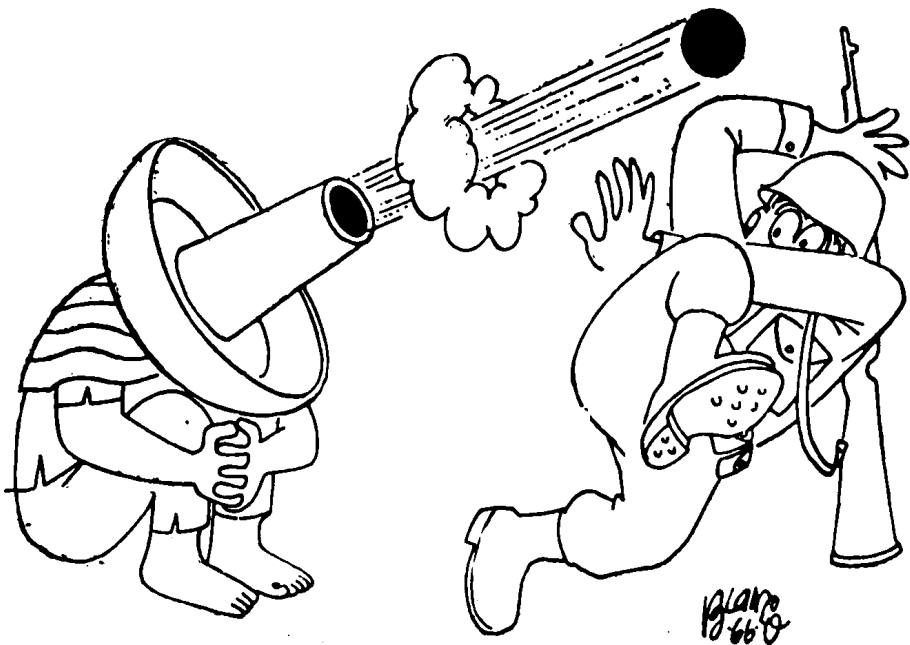
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TOP: BUST AT CCNY, at 7:30 a.m., November 3. Members of CCNY Commune had gone into Steinman Hall and waited for the rest of us to show up and confront Dow when it came to recruit there. But the cops showed up when we did and busted the CCNY Nine. As of press time, AWOL Bill is still at large in the Sanctuary. The reason for doing the Dow thing as part of the Whole Sanctuary scene was to demonstrate that the same oppression (military, imperialism) that Bill is confronting is what college students must confront and mobilize against on their campuses.

BOTTOM: Brass watches goings-on at Fort Dix (GI Week) picnic. He doesn't seem to know what to make of the whole scene. We do.

Both photos by Miriam Bokser/LNS



CUBAN CARTOONS -- FROM "PALANTE," A HUMOR WEEKLY.

1. by Blanco
2. by Blanco
3. by Wilson